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TABLE 1
EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT IN OCTOBER 1987

NOTE: These labor force data are supplied by the U.S. Department of Labor.

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED (Amounts in thousands)	OCTOBER 1987	SEPTEMBER 1987	AUGUST 1987	OCTOBER 1986
Total civilian labor force a/	13,801	13,823	13,775	13,491
Total civilian employment	12,979	13,026	13,036	12,598
Total unemployment	822	797	739	893
Seasonally adjusted rate (%)	6.0	5.8	5.4	6.6
Range b/	5.4-6.6	5.2-6.4	4.8-6.0	5.9-7.3
U.S. seasonally adjusted rate	6.0	5.9	6.0	6.9
UNADJUSTED (Amounts in thousands)				
Total civilian labor force a/	13,836	13,804	13,891	13,528
Total civilian employment	13,065	13,039	13,141	12,694
Total unemployment	771	765	751	834
Unadjusted rate (%)	5.6	5.5	5.4	6.2
Range b/	5.0-6.2	4.9-6.1	4.8-6.0	5.5-6.9

a/ Total labor force by place of residence, including workers involved in trade disputes. Employment includes self-employed, unpaid family and domestic workers.
b/ Range as shown is at the 90% level of confidence.

HIGHLIGHTS California's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for October was 6.0 percent, up marginally from 5.8 percent in September. A year ago, in October, the rate was 6.6 percent. During October in California, seasonally adjusted employment declined by 47,000 while unemployment increased by 25,000. The national civilian seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for October was 6.0 percent, changing only slightly from 5.9 percent in September.

Total nonagricultural wage and salary employment, not seasonally adjusted, increased by 39,400 from 11,765,800 in September to 11,805,200 in October. The largest increase in employment was in the Government. Education was responsible for all the job gains in this sector, generating 52,800 jobs. All other Government divisions registered month-over declines. Wholesale and retail trade increased by 10,700 new jobs, the majority in retail trade. Services, construction, and finance, insurance and real estate also reported job gains during October. Agriculture had the largest decline in employment, losing 87,500 jobs. Corresponding to the seasonally expected slowdown in agriculture, the food and kindred products group lost 15,800 jobs. Total manufacturing declined by 17,300 jobs. Since October 1986 total wage and salary employment has increased by 363,200 jobs -- a gain of 3.2 percent over the year.

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TABLE 2
EMPLOYMENT STATUS OF THE WORKING-AGE
POPULATION IN CALIFORNIA*
(Numbers in Thousands)
Data Are Not Seasonally Adjusted

EMPLOYMENT STATUS	OCTOBER 1987	SEPTEMBER 1987	AUGUST 1987	OCTOBER 1986
Total				
Labor Force	13,836	13,804	13,891	13,528
Employed	13,065	13,039	13,141	12,694
Unemployed	771	765	751	834
Unemployment Rate	5.6	5.5	5.4	6.2
Male, Age 20 and Over				
Labor Force	7,337	7,421	7,369	7,158
Employed	7,002	7,106	7,048	6,743
Unemployed	334	315	321	416
Unemployment Rate	4.6	4.2	4.4	5.8
Female, Age 20 and Over				
Labor Force	5,654	5,609	5,585	5,596
Employed	5,374	5,298	5,290	5,288
Unemployed	280	311	294	308
Unemployment Rate	4.9	5.5	5.3	5.5
Both Sexes, Age 16-19				
Labor Force	846	774	938	774
Employed	689	636	802	663
Unemployed	157	139	136	112
Unemployment Rate	18.5	17.9	14.5	14.4
White				
Labor Force	11,650	11,621	11,768	11,526
Employed	11,027	11,043	11,212	10,860
Unemployed	623	578	557	666
Unemployment Rate	5.4	5.0	4.7	5.8
Nonwhite				
Labor Force	2,186	2,183	2,123	2,002
Employed	2,038	1,996	1,929	1,833
Unemployed	148	187	194	168
Unemployment Rate	6.8	8.6	9.2	8.4

*Data supplied by the U.S. Department of Labor from their current population survey. No comparable data are available for areas within California.

TABLE 3
EARNINGS AND HOURS* OF PRODUCTION AND RELATED WORKERS
IN MANUFACTURING IN CALIFORNIA

Area	Average weekly earnings			Average hours per week			Average hourly earnings		
	SEP 1987	AUG 1987	SEP 1986	SEP 1987	AUG 1987	SEP 1986	SEP 1987	AUG 1987	SEP 1986
California	$439.39	$435.51	$420.73	39.8	40.4	40.3	$11.04	$10.78	$10.44

*Average hours and earnings are based upon data for full-time and part-time production and related workers in manufacturing industries. Average gross weekly and hourly earnings include overtime pay and premium wages for late-shift work. Attention is directed to the fact that these are not wage rates, but are averages of gross earnings. Data are preliminary and subject to change.

TABLE 4
MONTHLY WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT ANALYSIS FOR OCTOBER (PRELIMINARY)
EMPLOYMENT IN THOUSANDS OF JOBS
--DATA NOT ADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY--

INDUSTRY TITLE	CURRENT MONTH	PREVIOUS MONTH	YEAR AGO	NUMERICAL CHANGE		PERCENT CHANGE	
	OCT87	SEP87	OCT86	MONTH/MONTH	YEAR/YEAR	MONTH/MONTH	YEAR/YEAR
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	11805.2	11765.8	11442.0	39.4	363.2	0.3	3.2
MINING	39.3	39.6	41.0	-0.3	-1.7	-0.8	-4.1
METAL MINING	2.2	2.2	2.1	0.0	0.1	0.0	4.8
FUEL MINING	30.3	30.6	32.1	-0.3	-1.8	-1.0	-5.6
NONMETAL MINING	6.8	6.8	6.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
CONSTRUCTION	592.0	590.3	548.7	1.7	43.3	0.3	7.9
GENERAL BUILDING CONTRACTORS	158.8	158.4	146.6	0.4	12.2	0.3	8.3
HEAVY CONSTRUCTION	77.6	77.1	73.1	0.5	4.5	0.6	6.2
SPECIAL TRADE CONTRACTORS	355.6	354.8	329.0	0.8	26.6	0.2	8.1
MANUFACTURING	2098.8	2116.1	2077.8	-17.3	21.0	-0.8	1.0
NONDURABLE GOODS	669.4	684.8	656.6	-13.4	12.8	-2.2	1.9
FOOD & KINDRED PRODUCTS	182.6	198.4	177.3	-15.8	5.3	-8.0	3.0
CANNED, CURED, FROZEN SEAFOODS	5.0	5.9	5.1	-0.9	-0.1	-15.3	-2.0
PRESERVED FRUITS & VEGETABLES	57.1	73.1	55.6	-16.0	1.5	-21.9	2.7
OTHER FOOD & KINDRED PRODUCTS	120.5	119.4	116.6	1.1	3.9	0.9	3.3
TEXTILE MILL PRODUCTS	15.5	15.3	15.1	0.2	0.4	1.3	2.6
APPAREL & OTHER TEXTILE PRODS	115.9	114.8	113.8	1.1	2.1	1.0	1.8
PAPER & ALLIED PRODUCTS	40.2	40.3	39.8	-0.1	0.4	-0.2	1.0
PRINTING & PUBLISHING	147.7	147.4	145.2	0.3	2.5	0.2	1.7
CHEMICALS & ALLIED PRODUCTS	65.8	66.0	64.2	-0.2	1.6	-0.3	2.5
PETROLEUM & COAL PRODUCTS	26.0	26.3	26.7	-0.3	-0.7	-1.1	-2.6
RUBBER & MISC PLASTIC PRODUCTS	68.6	69.0	67.2	-0.4	1.4	-0.6	2.1
LEATHER AND LEATHER PRODUCTS	7.1	7.3	7.3	-0.2	-0.2	-2.7	-2.7
DURABLE GOODS	1429.4	1431.3	1421.2	-1.9	8.2	-0.1	0.6
LUMBER & WOOD PROD EXC FURNITURE	64.5	65.7	62.2	-1.2	2.3	-1.8	3.7
FURNITURE & FIXTURES	57.9	57.5	58.3	0.4	-0.4	0.7	-0.7
STONE, CLAY & GLASS PRODUCTS	53.8	54.0	52.8	-0.2	1.0	-0.4	1.9
PRIMARY METAL INDUSTRIES	41.6	41.5	41.3	0.1	0.3	0.2	0.7
FABRICATED METAL PRODUCTS	137.5	138.5	137.3	-1.0	0.2	-0.7	0.1
MACHINERY EXC ELECTRICAL	209.0	209.1	210.3	-0.1	-1.3	-0.0	-0.6
ELECTRICAL EQUIP & SUPPLIES	397.2	398.4	399.0	-1.2	-1.8	-0.3	-0.5
TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT	320.7	319.4	312.1	1.3	8.6	0.4	2.8
MOTOR VEHICLES & EQUIPMENT	35.6	35.4	32.9	0.2	2.7	0.6	8.2
AIRCRAFT AND PARTS	181.9	180.5	173.5	1.4	8.4	0.8	4.8
SHIP & BOAT BLDG & REPAIRING	13.6	14.2	15.7	-0.6	-2.1	-4.2	-13.4
GUIDED MISS, SPACE VEHICLES PTS	79.6	79.2	79.8	0.4	-0.2	0.5	-0.3
OTHER TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT	10.0	10.1	10.2	-0.1	-0.2	-1.0	-2.0
INSTRUMENTS & RELATED PRODUCTS	112.2	112.4	112.5	-0.2	-0.3	-0.2	-0.3
MISC MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES	35.0	34.8	35.4	0.2	-0.4	0.6	-1.1
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	590.2	595.1	585.9	-4.9	4.3	-0.8	0.7
TRANSPORTATION	347.9	352.0	340.3	-4.1	7.6	-1.2	2.2
RAILROADS	21.4	21.4	21.8	0.0	-0.4	0.0	-1.8
TRUCKING AND WAREHOUSING	148.9	149.8	142.7	-0.9	6.2	-0.6	4.3
OTHER TRANSPORTATION	177.6	180.8	175.8	-3.2	1.8	-1.8	1.0
COMMUNICATIONS	158.7	159.0	162.1	-0.3	-3.4	-0.2	-2.1
ELECTRIC, GAS & SANITARY SERVICES	83.6	84.1	83.5	-0.5	0.1	-0.6	0.1
WHOLESALE & RETAIL TRADE	2867.7	2857.0	2758.7	10.7	109.0	0.4	4.0
WHOLESALE TRADE	729.8	726.9	706.8	2.9	23.0	0.4	3.3
RETAIL TRADE	2137.9	2130.1	2051.9	7.8	86.0	0.4	4.2
GENERAL MERCHANDISE STORES	259.1	252.3	244.3	6.8	14.8	2.7	6.1
FOOD STORES	295.9	295.0	287.5	0.9	8.4	0.3	2.9
OTHER RETAIL TRADE	1582.9	1582.8	1520.1	0.1	62.8	0.0	4.1
FINANCE INSURANCE & REAL ESTATE	795.9	795.7	776.0	0.2	19.9	0.0	2.6
FINANCE	374.8	375.5	371.0	-0.7	3.8	-0.2	1.0
INSURANCE AGTS CARRIERS BRKRS	217.6	217.2	210.3	0.4	7.3	0.2	3.5
REAL ESTATE	183.7	183.3	175.7	0.4	8.0	0.2	4.6
COMB HOLDING & OTHER INVEST CO	19.8	19.7	19.0	0.1	0.8	0.5	4.2
SERVICES	2919.7	2916.1	2796.6	3.6	123.1	0.1	4.4
HOTELS AND OTHER LODGING PLACES	166.5	168.0	156.3	-1.5	10.2	-0.9	6.5
PERSONAL SERVICES	121.6	121.4	117.3	0.2	4.3	0.2	3.7
BUSINESS SERVICES	743.4	739.9	701.7	3.5	41.7	0.5	5.9
AUTO AND MISC REPAIR SERVICES	170.9	172.0	166.9	-1.1	4.0	-0.6	2.4
MOTION PICTURES	81.0	81.6	76.5	-0.6	4.5	-0.7	5.9
AMUSEMENT & RECREATION SERVICES	121.4	129.9	115.0	-8.5	6.4	-6.5	5.6
HEALTH SERVICES	704.1	703.4	680.9	0.7	23.2	0.1	3.4
OTHER SERVICES	810.8	799.9	782.0	10.9	28.8	1.4	3.7
GOVERNMENT	1901.6	1855.9	1857.3	45.7	44.3	2.5	2.4
FEDERAL GOVERNMENT	346.0	347.4	342.1	-1.4	3.9	-0.4	1.1
STATE & LOCAL GOVERNMENT	1555.6	1508.5	1515.2	47.1	40.4	3.1	2.7
COUNTY	240.2	241.4	237.1	-1.2	3.1	-0.5	1.3
CITY	207.3	209.4	201.5	-2.1	5.8	-1.0	2.9
EDUCATION	820.5	767.7	797.8	52.8	22.7	6.9	2.8
EDUCATION STATE	159.2	148.5	158.0	10.7	1.2	7.2	0.8
EDUCATION LOCAL	661.3	619.2	639.8	42.1	21.5	6.8	3.4
OTHER STATE & LOCAL	287.6	290.0	278.8	-2.4	8.8	-0.8	3.2
STATE EXC ED	190.5	192.6	183.8	-2.1	6.7	-1.1	3.6
SPECIAL DISTRICT	97.1	97.4	95.0	-0.3	2.1	-0.3	2.2
TOTAL AGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	322.8	410.3	324.1	-87.5	-1.3	-21.3	-0.4

SOURCE: EMPLOYMENT DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT
EMPLOYMENT DATA AND RESEARCH DIVISION

TABLE 5

MONTHLY LABOR FORCE DATA FOR COUNTIES
SEPTEMBER 1987

COUNTY	CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYMENT	UNEMPLOYMENT	
			NUMBER	PERCENT*
STATE TOTAL	13804200	13039400	764800	5.5
ALAMEDA	649600	616800	32800	5.0
ALPINE	400	375	25	7.1
AMADOR	10225	9650	575	5.6
BUTTE	67775	63275	4500	6.6
CALAVERAS	9925	9250	675	6.8
COLUSA	7650	7200	450	5.9
CONTRA COSTA	385600	367000	18600	4.8
DEL NORTE	7200	6575	625	8.6
EL DORADO	56700	54200	2500	4.4
FRESNO	320600	294700	25900	8.1
GLENN	9950	9100	850	8.6
HUMBOLDT	47900	45000	2900	6.1
IMPERIAL	41950	29400	12550	29.9
INYO	7925	7525	400	5.1
KERN	224200	201900	22300	10.0
KINGS	30700	27875	2825	9.2
LAKE	17550	16075	1475	8.4
LASSEN	9200	8700	500	5.4
LOS ANGELES	4237000	3983000	254000	6.0
MADERA	39300	36475	2825	7.2
MARIN	123900	119900	4000	3.2
MARIPOSA	7075	6800	275	4.0
MENDOCINO	36875	34525	2350	6.3
MERCED	75850	70225	5625	7.4
MODOC	4100	3875	225	5.6
MONO	5050	4775	275	5.6
MONTEREY	153200	143700	9500	6.2
NAPA	56100	53900	2200	4.0
NEVADA	27850	26450	1400	5.1
ORANGE	1319500	1275700	43800	3.3
PLACER	70900	67500	3400	4.8
PLUMAS	8600	8025	575	6.8
RIVERSIDE	391000	362700	28300	7.2
SACRAMENTO	476400	451000	25400	5.3
SAN BENITO	17850	16550	1300	7.3
SAN BERNARDINO	512300	485300	27000	5.3
SAN DIEGO	1056200	1006900	49300	4.7
SAN FRANCISCO	397300	379300	18000	4.5
SAN JOAQUIN	197300	182000	15300	7.8
SAN LUIS OBISPO	88050	84250	3800	4.3
SAN MATEO	344800	334300	10500	3.0
SANTA BARBARA	175000	167300	7700	4.4
SANTA CLARA	788800	754900	33900	4.3
SANTA CRUZ	120800	115000	5800	4.8
SHASTA	54150	49775	4375	8.1
SIERRA	1625	1550	75	4.6
SISKIYOU	17775	16500	1275	7.2
SOLANO	134700	126900	7800	5.8
SONOMA	189000	180800	8200	4.3
STANISLAUS	152600	138900	13700	9.0
SUTTER	26550	24425	2125	8.0
TEHAMA	17650	16425	1225	6.9
TRINITY	5375	5025	350	6.7
TULARE	134900	122500	12400	9.2
TUOLUMNE	17400	16250	1150	6.7
VENTURA	331200	311400	19800	6.0
YOLO	66500	63100	3400	5.1
YUBA	18850	17150	1700	9.1

* NOTE: IMPERIAL COUNTY ESTIMATES ARE LOWER BEGINNING WITH THE JANUARY 1986 REPORT DUE TO A CHANGE IN METHOD OF ESTIMATING UNEMPLOYMENT.
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE IS BASED ON UNROUNDED DATA.
DATA NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED.